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## ABSTRACT

To assist the youthful learner of English as a second language in dealing with the purchase of food, a series of dialogs, comprehension questions, readings, and points of discussion are presented. The text is illustrated. (JB)

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STUDENT LESSON #12  
**THE SUPERMARKET**

English for Living

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## OBJECTIVES

When you finish this module you will be able to:

1. Order food from the deli and the bakery in a supermarket.
2. Ask where to find items.
3. Read and understand supermarket ads in the newspaper.

## READING: SUPERMARKETS

Americans buy most of their food at the supermarket. Supermarkets have many different kinds of foods, drugs, magazines and other products. You can buy almost everything you need in one store. Supermarkets are divided into sections, and things which are alike are in the same section. Even so, they are sometimes hard to find. Sometimes it is necessary to ask for help.

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. Where do Americans buy most of their food?
2. What other things can you buy in the supermarket?
3. How are supermarkets divided?
4. What do you do if you can't find something?

## SITUATION SETTER

Some supermarkets have deli and bakery departments where you can order what you want. In the other departments, you take what you want from the shelf. Ana is ordering cold cuts at the deli department.

## DIALOG

Clerk: Who's next?

Ana: I am.

Clerk: What would you like?

Ana: I'd like a pound of ham and a half a pound of cheese.

Clerk: Anything else?

Ana: No, that's all, thanks.

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. Where is Ana?
2. What does she want to buy?
3. Who is she talking to?
4. How much ham does she want?
5. How much cheese does she want?
6. Does Ana want anything else?



## ROLE PLAY

You are in the supermarket. Your friend is the deli manager. Practice ordering what you want. Here are some things you may order:

Deli Department:  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound of Swiss cheese and 1 pound of salami.  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  pounds of roast beef and  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound of turkey.  
 2 pounds of potato salad.

Now practice ordering in the bakery department. Here are some things you may order:

Bakery Department: 6 rolls and 1 loaf of bread.  
 one dozen cookies.  
 a cake and a pie.

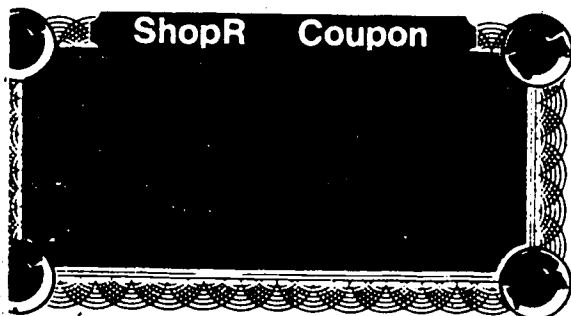
## Seafood Dept.

FROZEN HEAT & SERVE  
**FLOUNDER  
 FILLET**  
 \$**1.29**  
 LB.

FROZEN FRESH  
**MEDIUM SHRIMP**

41-50 TO  
 A POUND

**\$3.19**  
 (LB.)



## Meat Department

LEGS WITH BACKS OR  
 BREASTS WITH WINGS  
**QUARTERED  
 CHICKEN PARTS**  
**59¢**  
 LB.



FRESH  
**CHICKEN LIVERS**

**79¢**  
 lb.

## Fresh Produce



U.S. NO. 1 IDAHO  
**BAKING POTATOES**  
**5 LB. BAG 79¢**

CALIFORNIA NAVEL  
**ORANGES**

12 FOR

**79¢**

FRESH... CRISP  
**PASCAL**



**CELERY**

LARGE  
 BUNCH

**29¢**

## Dairy Case

Big V  
**SKIM MILK**  
 Qt. cont. **29¢**

ShopRite  
**SWISS CHEESE** DOZ.  
 8 oz. pkg. **89¢**

**MEDIUM  
 EGGS**  
**59¢**

## Bakery Goods

GOLD TOP SLICED  
**WHITE  
 BREAD**

22 OZ.  
 LOAF

**39¢**

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. What are specials?
2. Where can you find out about specials?
3. What are coupons?
4. Where do you find coupons?
5. What do you do with a coupon?

Answer these questions about the supermarket ads:

1. How many departments have specials this week?
2. How much is flounder this week?
3. Are chicken parts on special this week? How much are they?
4. What department are oranges in?
5. Are oranges on special this week? How much are they?

## ROLE PLAY

1. You are in a supermarket. You can't find the canned tomatoes. Ask the clerk to help you.
2. You are at the deli department. Order what your family likes for sandwiches.
3. You are in the frozen food aisle looking for toothpicks, but you can't find them. Ask a clerk where to look.
4. You are going on a picnic. You want to make sandwiches. Order some *cold cuts* from the deli department.